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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: STURGIS ET AL. Examiner: J. PASCUA
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Title: BAG WITH ERGONOMICALLY DISPOSED HANDLE

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 23, 2003, said period of response being extended from August 23, 2003 to November 23, 2003, which fell on a Sunday, further extending the date for response to Monday, November 24, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,



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